

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Based on Int'l Application No:	:	Customer No.: 27128
PCT/JP2004/017565	:	
For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR	:	
DETECTING DIRECTION OF MEMBER	:	
HAVING OUTER PERIPHERY	:	
FORMED IN VERTICALLY	:	
ASYMMETRICAL SHAPE	:	

**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This is a **Supplemental Preliminary Amendment** to the previously filed Preliminary Amendment, which was filed July 25, 2006. This Supplemental Preliminary Amendment is being filed in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed August 11, 2008

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this document.

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